

# MEXICAN FOMENTO OFFICE LIMITS TIME FOR OWNERS TO FILE INTENTIONS.

In a circular issued by secretary of fomento Pastor Rouaix, of the Carranza government, for the information of mining men operating in Mexico, and handed out Saturday, Andres G. Garcia, Inspector of Mexican consulates in El Paso, April 1 is set as the date for mining operators to make proof to the secretary by their tax receipts or "bolitas" that they have paid mining taxes due on Mexican claims, and that they shall report before the same date, either directly to the secretary, or to local agents of his department, in detail regarding the work, outside and inside each mine, according to a form specified, which calls for minute data, beginning with the name of the first concessionaire and includes a map of each claim. Employees, motive force used, machinery, system of operation, production and supplies on hand for mining and treatment are called for.

## CONCESSIONAIRES MUST REPORT 20th.

Concessionaires who solicited extension of time to comply with the Carranza decree of Sept. 14, and who are classed in the second group, shall be required, according to the circular, to prove before March 20, in the office of the secretary of fomento, with "bolitas" and other evidence that they have paid all taxes due on mining claims. They are required to furnish complete data in establishing ownership. All who report are required to show nationality and whether corporate ownership or individual. The secretary will determine, upon the evidence filed, whether extension will be granted to resume work on claims.

## LEAVES WAY FOR SETTLEMENTS.

Holders of mining claims who did not heed the September decree and have incurred the penalty of forfeiture, will be reported at once to the secretary of the treasury, that orders for confiscation, or intervention, may be issued. During the period of intervention, before forfeiture is declared, the circular says, interested parties can conserve their concessions by showing to the secretary office evidence why the decree was not obeyed; their decision to resume work, the means to do it, and in setting a date for resumption. This evidence will be placed before president Carranza for him to pass on the question of forfeiture.

## A FOURTH GROUP OF MINERS WHO SECURED PERMITS UNDER A CIRCULAR DATED APRIL 20, 1914, TO OPERATE THEIR CLAIMS, ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO REPORT BY APRIL 1 ON WORK UNDERTAKEN, FORCES EMPLOYED, AND OTHER DATA, INCLUDING PRODUCTION, TO THE CIRCULAR.

## DE GROSS RETIRE FROM HOTEL LIFE AFTER 18 YEARS HERE

The furnishings and bar of the Grand hotel at Mesa and Mills street, have been sold by Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeGross to A. A. Taylor, Charles S. Kynclaus and C. H. Pendergast. The new company has taken charge and is operating the hotel. The sale price was \$10,000.

## MR. AND MRS. DEGROSS, WITH THE DISPOSAL OF THE GRAND HOTEL, HAVE RETIRED FROM AN ACTIVE EXPERIENCE IN HOTEL BUSINESS IN EL PASO EXTENDING OVER 18 YEARS. THEY MAKE THEIR HOME ON THE DEGROSS RANCH IN THE LOWER VALLEY, NEAR BELLEN.

## NORRIS WANTS ELECTION TO PASS ON HIS COURSE

Washington, D. C., March 15.—One of the "wildfire senators" recently condemned by president Wilson, senator Norris of Nebraska, has proposed that an election be held in Nebraska to determine whether his course in opposition to the armed neutrality bill was satisfactory to his constituency. He said he was not certain what the result would be. Advice from Nebraska later indicated the governor was opposed to such an election on the ground that no demand for it had been manifested in the state and that it would be a needless expense.

## ARRESTED ON FORGERY CHARGE.

C. R. Lopez was arrested Sunday by police officers and jailed on a charge of forgery.

## GREEK MUSICIAN IN RECITAL HERE.

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# MUSTERING OUT MILITIA HALTED

Many States Receive Orders Suspending Mustering Out of Men From Border.

Chicago, Ill., March 15.—Orders were issued today by Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Barry, commander of the central department, U. S. A., suspending all mustering out of troops in the central department "subject to further notice."

## ORDER RECEIVED AT MEMPHIS.

Memphis, Tenn., March 15.—Col. H. S. Barry, in command of the First Tennessee infantry, which arrived here from Eagle Pass, Texas, was advised yesterday that orders had been issued suspending the mustering out of national guardsmen "until further orders."

## WASHINGTON DENIES ORDER.

Washington, D. C., March 15.—War department officials yesterday said no new orders concerning national guardsmen had gone out. Another order suspending mustering out, they said, must have been issued by the department commanders for local reasons.

## NORTH CAROLINIANS HELD.

Raleigh, N. C., March 15.—Orders received at the adjutant general's office here suspended the order for the mustering out of the North Carolina national guard after arrival from El Paso.

## SOUTH CAROLINIANS ALICE.

Columbia, S. C., March 15.—The mustering out of the Second South Carolina infantry, recently returned from the border, was stopped yesterday on orders directly from the federal mustering officer to await further instructions.

## ORDERS GO TO WYOMING.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 15.—Orders were received at Fort D. A. Russell yesterday directing that the mustering out of organizations here not mustered out and those en route here for muster out be postponed. The Colorado signal corps arrived here yesterday from the Mexican border.

## MAJ. GEN. JOHN J. PERSHING, COMMANDER OF THE SOUTHERN DEPARTMENT, ANNOUNCED HERE MONDAY THAT HE HAD RECEIVED NO ORDERS TO HOLD THE NATIONAL GUARD OF HIS DISTRICT IN THE FEDERAL SERVICE.

Brig. Gen. George Bell, Jr., said no such orders had been received at his headquarters and the demobilization of the New Mexico guard and other guard units in his district would proceed as originally planned unless the demobilization orders were countermanded.

## PAUL WILKEY, FORMERLY OF EL PASO, KILLED IN ARIZONA

Paul Wilkey, of Nogales, Ariz., a former resident of El Paso, was killed in an automobile accident Saturday, in Arizona.

His mother, Mrs. John Wilkey, of Nogales, who was in El Paso visiting Mrs. D. C. Kliney, at her home on Myrtle avenue, received a telegram containing the news of her son's death and left for Nogales Sunday morning.

## MRS. C. A. HATT DIES.

FUNERAL TO BE ON TUESDAY. Mrs. C. A. Hatt, of 1121 East Overland street, wife of Charles A. Hatt, died early Monday morning at a local hospital, following an operation. Mrs. Hatt was well known in El Paso, having resided in this city for a number of years. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at the chapel of the J. W. Penk company at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in Evergreen.

## DEATH OF PRESIDENT CARRANZA DIES HERE AT AGE OF 91.

Mrs. Dolores Estrada de Carranza, 91 years of age, an aunt of president-elect Venustiano Carranza of Mexico, died at the home of her sons, Jesus and Gerardo, on Friday. Burial took place Saturday. She was a native of Ocampo, Coahuila, and had resided in El Paso for the last 11 years.

## SERGEANT PETER MEYERS.

Sergeant Peter Meyers of the Eighth cavalry died early Monday morning at the Fort Bliss base hospital. Deceased was 25 years of age. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

## PRIVATE CLIFFORD McRAE.

The body of private Clifford McRae, 17th infantry, who died Saturday at the Fort Bliss base hospital, was buried Monday afternoon at the Fort Bliss cemetery.

## PRIVATE HENRY H. HILL.

After a brief illness, private Henry H. Hill, aged 18 years, unmarried, died at the Fort Bliss base hospital Monday morning at 12:05. He had been in the service but two months. Funeral arrangements will not be completed until word is received from his father, Charles F. Hill, of Jefferson, Ga.

## CLYDE R. ELLIOTT.

The body of C. B. Elliott, aged 27, who died in a local hospital Saturday, was sent to the home of his parents at Camden, Ark. Sunday afternoon, where the funeral will be held. Deceased had been employed as a watchmaker by the W. T. Hixon jewelry company for the past several years.

## GEORGE T. WATKINS.

Geo. T. Watkins died at a local hospital Monday morning. He was 22 years of age and a health seeker. He is survived by a brother, G. R. Watkins, in Birmingham, Ala. The body is being held for advice by the J. J. Kaster company.

## SERGEANT JAMES W. HAY.

Funeral services for Sergt. James W. Hay, company I, Sixth infantry, who died Sunday at the Fort Bliss base hospital, will be held Tuesday afternoon. Interment will be in the Fort Bliss cemetery.

## ALBERT C. WOOLSEY.

Following a lengthy illness, Albert C. Woolsey, died Sunday night at his home at 817 Olive street. Deceased was in his 25th year. Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

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# TEXAS SENATE FAILS TO SEND IN NAME OF REGENT IN PLACE OF EL PASOAN REJECTED.

Austin, Texas, March 15.—Confirmation was given today by the senate to the appointment of W. P. Allen, of Austin, and J. W. Butler, of Clifton, as members of the board of regents of the University of Texas, at an executive session lasting 15 minutes. These are the two appointments which had been held up for some time in the senate.

The governor did not send in an appointee in place of Dr. D. P. Lawrence, of El Paso, whose confirmation has hitherto been rejected by the senate. The senate also confirmed the appointment of James Cornell, of Sutton county, to be judge of the 32d district court, recently created.

## SENATE PASSES PHARMACY BILL.

The senate today passed finally the senate bill amending the pharmacy law, which prescribes fees which may be charged by the state board of pharmacy.

## SENATOR JOHNSTON, OF HARRIS, PASSED TO ETERNITY HIS BILL KNOWN AS THE "LANDLORDS' LIEN BILL," WHICH PRESCRIBES THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH LIENS MAY BE FIXED AND PRESERVED ON RESIDENCES, STOREHOUSES AND OTHER BUILDINGS.

The house bill permitting county attorneys to act for district attorneys in examining trials and habeas corpus proceedings, was passed finally.

## DEPENDENT CHILDREN'S BILL KILLED.

Senator McNealus failed in an effort to obtain unanimous consent to consider the house bill establishing a home for dependent and neglected children, which practically kills the bill.

## TO REPEAL LEGISLATION.

From now until the regular session of the 35th legislature finally adjourns next Wednesday night, bills will be introduced through, but denied this fact, several hundred bills are destined to die on the calendar of both houses. In fact, the speaker has announced that it will be useless even now to take up for consideration any bills that have not already been engrossed and passed to third reading, consequently the members are concentrating on local measures and very few general bills that require discussion will be passed at all. In the house bills are now being considered by unanimous consent under a suspension of the rules, and the work more rapidly because of the fewer number of members, but the house with such a large membership is unwieldy and therefore, progress is slow.

## PEOPLE TO VOTE ON FREE BOOKS.

The people of Texas are given an opportunity to vote on the question of free text books for the school children in the state, the referendum adopted by a vote of 23 to 2, the house joint resolution by Nordhaus, of San Antonio, and others proposing an amendment to the constitution on this subject. The resolution provides the levying of a state ad valorem tax of 15 cents on the \$100 property valuation, as a school tax and also the free text books. The present school tax is 25 cents on the \$100 and this amendment increases this to 23 cents and this 15 cent increase is believed will raise sufficient funds to buy the text books. The election is to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1918. The sum of \$2000 is provided to defray the expenses of the election.

## MOTHERS' PENSION PASSES.

Both branches of the legislature have passed finally the senate bill by McNealus providing for Mothers' pension. The senate concurred in the house amendments and the bill goes to the governor for approval.

## ADVERTISING BILL RECOMMITTED.

After the senate had adopted the free conference committee report on the bill which requires the publication of all legal notices in a newspaper of general circulation, the house practically killed the bill by recommitting it. It developed that the house had amended the original bill, but the committee had stricken the amendment out and when the question of adopting the report came up for adoption, this disclosure was made, then followed a long debate against the report, and the bill would have been killed outright by selecting the report but for representatives Farland, who succeeded in having the measure recommitted.

## SENATE PASSES IRRIGATION BILL.

Without seriously amending it, the senate has passed finally the house general irrigation bill. The senate had previously passed its own bill on this subject, but senator Hall, of Wharton, who successfully engineered the house measure through the upper branch of the legislature, sidetracked the senate measure and took up the house bill in order that the final enactment may be expedited.

## BURGLARS MAKE \$150 HAUL FROM WHITE DRUG STORE

Burglars early Sunday morning entered the Scott White drug store, 201 North Oregon street, in the Mills building and working the combinations opened two safes and stole approximately \$150. The men secured entrance to the building through a side door by using a pass key.

The burglars opened a safe used by Percy Dyer, who has charge of the cigar stand and stole between \$75 and \$100 in bills. More than \$50 was taken from the safe of the drug company.

While making his rounds a night watchman, trying a door, frightened the burglars away, it is said. They left \$25 in cash change on a desk.

Thieves entered the home of J. W. Flynn, 506 East Missouri street, late Sunday night and took an overcoat and women's clothing and shoes, amounting to about \$100 in value.

There were a number of calls turned in by the police Sunday night from the western part of the city reporting attempts of burglars to enter homes, it was said at the station.

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